



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **JEAN FIORAMONTI** et al.

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FOR THE PREVENTION OR TREATMENT OF DIGESTIVE PATHOLOGIES (as amended)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 17, 2006 in the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks intended to place the application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time with provision for the required fee requesting that the due date for response to the outstanding office action be extended one month from October 17, 2006 to November 17, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

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